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Applicant's November 30, 2006 Amendment After Final is convincing. Thus, the previous October 12, 2006 Final Office Action is hereby withdrawn. A further Office Action will issue in due course. Applicant is advised that intended use claim language, e.g. for estimating, adapted to calculate, if given little, if any, patentable weight in juxtaposition to positively recited claim language, e.g. a first input device.

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